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SHRINKING OF SEASONED TIMBER.—The various kinds of oak, and some other valuable kinds of timber, will shrink more or less every time the surface is dressed off even a small fraction of an inch. Wheelwrights, accustomed to work in oak, are well aware of this fact, and a correct appreciation of it often enables them to turn out a superior article, even of ordinary materials, by first blocking out the pieces roughly, then allowing the timber to season, and afterward working the various parts by degrees, as the seasoning process becomes more and more complete.

White oak spoke timber, for example, may be allowed to remain in rough state for half a score of years, under shelter, without being seasoned so thoroughly that the timber will not shrink after the spokes have been dressed out. Carriage wheels have been made out of the choicest quality of oak timber after every spoke had been seasoned for several years, and, to the great surprise of the wheelwright, every spoke would work in the joints before the vehicle had run three months. The defect in such instances could not be attributed to inferior timber, but to perfunctory seasoning; that the parts of the wheel were put together before the timber had ceased to shrink.

It is proved that the best quality of oak will shrink after a spoke has been dressed out, let a tenon be made on one end, and be driven immediately into a worm; after a few days' exposure in a warm workshop the spokes may be withdrawn with little difficulty. The same fact will hold good in the manufacture of wood work of any kind where oak is employed for tenons. In order to make joints that never will start, the piece on which the tenons are to be made should be dressed several times, until the shrinking has ceased. Then let the tenons be made. After these have shrunk, while exposed to the drying influence of a warm workshop, the spokes or other parts may be driven into their respective places, with the assurance (especially if they are dipped in oil paint previous to driving) that timber will shrink no more.

Many kinds of farming implements, in the manufacture of which oak and ash are employed, render very unsatisfactory service, simply because the seasoned timber was not allowed to shrink before the tenons were driven into the mortises. In like manner, oak chairs and other furniture will frequently shrink to such an extent that the pumpkins, rungs, dowel pins and baisters will all work loose, if the precaution we have described is not observed.—*American Builder.*

WHY YOUNG MEN DON'T GET MARRIED. From all of our exchanges we see the complaint made that the saddest effect of the hard times is the stagnation of the matrimonial market. County court clerks sigh deeply as they glance at the marriage licenses, all unfilled, and black Ministers' faces brighten up as each ring of the door bell brings a hope that a bashful couple need their services to make them one. Storekeepers advertise their chief bridal outfit in vain; there is not even an offer. Furniture dealers speak in glowing terms of neat little chamber sets, so convenient to those contemplating housekeeping. The jeweller's show windows are filled with articles so suggestive of what a surly philosopher calls the "fools' paradise," all in vain, and the sweet feminines themselves look sweeter, prettier, more alluring, the harder the times get, until those aspiring candelids get desperate, and are almost tempted to go it blind. In speaking of this the Buffalo Courier makes the following remarks:

"It certainly is not a good time for marrying, and has not been for several years past. One reason, no doubt, is the great cost of living, which, in one respect, at least—that of female dress—is fully double what it was fifteen years ago. If a young man has only a moderate salary, he is tempted to go it blind. In speaking of this the Buffalo Courier makes the following remarks:

"For this reason, and others too, no doubt, the popularity of matrimony, so to speak, appears to be steadily declining. Young men hold off a great deal more than they used to, and of course, the young women have nothing for it but to seek some vocation for a livelihood. So, recognizing this fact, and not seeing much probability of getting husbands when they grow older, a great many of them turn to practical work, become doctors, writers or artists, and manage to make at least a decent living for themselves. If young men were more inclined to marry, the probabilities are that young women would be less inclined to go it alone in the light professions."

SHEEP ON A FARM.—Sheep are undervalued by the mass of land-holders as a means of keeping up the fertility of the soil and putting money into the pockets of farmers. The moment one begins to talk of sheep husbandry the listener or reader begins to look for wool quotations, as if wool was all that yields profit from sheep. One might as well look for wheat quotations alone when there is talk about the profit of farming.

Sheep on a farm yield both wool and mutton. They multiply with great rapidity. They are the best of farm scavengers, "cleaning a field" as no other class of animals will. They give back to the farm more in proportion to what they take from it than any other animals, and distribute it better with a view to the future fertility of the soil. Prove this? There is no need of proof to those who have kept sheep and know their habits and their yield. To prove it to those who have not the experience, it is necessary they should try the experiment or accept the testimony of an experienced shepherd.

But the live stock of a farm should not necessarily be sheep, exclusively. Cattle, horses, swine, have their respective places in the farm economy. How many of each to keep is a question that locality, character of markets, adaptation of soil, predisposition, taste and skill of the husbandman must decide. But one thing ought not to be forgotten, that the more stock a man has on his farm the more grass, and the more he ought to, and if properly managed, it will grow. The rates of increase will correspond with the business tact, technical and practical knowledge and skill of the husbandman.

DRUGS AND CHEMICALS.



TAKE SIMMONS' Liver Regulator,

FOR ALL DISEASES OF THE LIVER, STOMACH AND SPLEEN.

It is eminently a Family Medicine; and by being kept ready for immediate resort will save many an hour of suffering and many a dollar in time and doctors' bills.

After over Forty Years' trial it is still receiving the most unqualified testimonials of its virtues from persons of the highest character and responsibility. Eminent physicians commend it as the most

EFFECTUAL SPECIFIC

for Constipation, Headache, Pain in the Shoulders, Dizziness, Sour Stomach, bad taste in the mouth, bilious attacks, Palpitation of the Heart, Pain in the region of the Kidneys, despondency, gloom and forebodings of evil, all of which are the offspring of a diseased Liver.

If you feel Dull, Drowsy, Debilitated, have frequent Headache, Tongue Coated, bad poor Appetite, and Mouth Coated, or you are suffering from Torpid Liver or "Biliousness," and nothing will cure you so speedily and permanently.

The Liver, the largest organ in the body, is generally the seat of the disease, and if not regulated in time, great suffering, wretchedness and DEATH will ensue.

Armed with this ANTIDOTE, all climates and changes of water and food may be faced with ease. As a Remedy in MALARIAL FEVERS, BOWEL COMPLAINTS, RESTLESSNESS, JAUNDICE, NAUSEA, the Cheapest, Purest and Best Family Medicine in the World!

"I have never seen or tried such a simple, efficacious, satisfactory and pleasant remedy in my life."—H. Hain, St. Louis, Mo.

"I occasionally use, when my condition requires it, Dr. Simmons' Liver Regulator, with good effect."—Hon. Alex. H. Stephens.

Governor of Alabama.

"Your Regulator has been in use in my family for some time, and I am persuaded it is a valuable addition to the medicinal science."—Gov. J. Gill Shorter, Ala.

"I have used the Regulator in my family for the past seventeen years. I can safely recommend it to the world as the best medicine I have ever used for that class of diseases it purports to cure."—H. F. Thigpen.

President of City Bank.

"Simmons' Liver Regulator has proved a good and efficacious medicine."—C. A. Nutting.

Druggist.

"We have been acquainted with Dr. Simmons' Liver Medicine for more than twenty years, and know it to be the best. Liver Regulator offered to the public."—M. R. Lyon and H. L. Lyon, Bellefontaine, Ga.

"It has no equal. It is a family medicine, does not disarrange the system, is sure to cure if taken regularly, is no drastic violent medicine, does not interfere with business, memory, or the use of the bowels, is a most efficacious and safe remedy."

CAUTION!
But no powders or PREPARED SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR unless in our engraved wrapper, with Trade mark, Stamp and Signature unbroken. None other is genuine.

J. H. ZEILIN & CO.,
Macon, Ga., and Philadelphia.

The symptoms of Liver Complaint are uneasiness and pain in the side. Sometimes the pain is in the shoulder, and is mistaken for rheumatism. The stomach is affected with loss of appetite and sickness, bowels in general constive, sometimes alternating with lax. The head is troubled with pain, and a heavy sensation, considerable loss of memory, accompanied with painful sensation of having left undone something which ought to have been done. Often complaining of weakness, debility, and low spirits. Sometimes the disease, and above symptoms attend the disease, and the liver is generally the organ most involved.

Nearly all diseases originate from Indigestion and Torpidity of the Liver, and relief is always anxiously sought after. If the Liver is regulated in its action, health is almost invariably secured. Want of action in the Liver causes Headache, Cough, Chills, Dizziness, Sour Stomach, bad taste in the mouth, bilious attacks, palpitation of the heart, depression of spirits, or the blues, and a hundred other symptoms, for which SIMMONS' LIVER REGULATOR is the best remedy that has ever been discovered. It acts mildly, effectually, and being a simple vegetable compound, can do no injury in any quantities that may be taken. It is harmless in every way; it has been used for 40 years, and hundreds of the good and great from all parts of the country will vouch for its being the purest and best.

The Clergy.

"My wife and self have used the Regulator for years, and testify to its great virtues."—Rev. J. R. Felder, Perry Ga.

Ladies' Endorsement.

"I have given your medicine a thorough trial, and in no case has it failed to give full satisfaction."—Ellen Meacham, Chatham Co., Fla.

SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL BY

E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.,

Nos. 5 and 7 South Fairfax street.
ap 13-Jul10

FANCY GOODS.

C. C. BERRY,
DEALER IN

FANCY GOODS & NOTIONS

OF EVERY DESCRIPTION.

Comprising the largest and BEST SELECTED STOCK in the city, at the lowest possible prices, consisting in part of Dress Trimmings, Ribbons, Hosiery, Corsets, Zephyr Worsteds, Knitting Cotton, Embroideries, Jewelry, Laces of all styles and patterns, Kid Gloves, 1 button \$1, 2 buttons \$1.25, in Spring shades; Buttons of every description and Velvets of all kinds and colors, Linen and Lace Collars, a beautiful assortment of Ladies' Ties in Silk and Lace, and Parasols and Sun Umbrellas—just received. Call and examine at
ap 15 C. C. BERRY'S.

FERGUSON'S
NEW

SPRING GOODS.

HOSIERY—A full assortment of Ladies' and Children's regular made Hosiery, in plain and stripes. Also a large stock of cheap Hosiery, in white and colored—all at very low prices.

LADIES' COLLARS AND CUFFS, in white and black and white checks and striped; new styles.

RICHES! RICHES! at 6 cents.

FANS! FANS! FANS! Buy now and save money.

DRESS BUTTONS—The largest stock in the city, consisting of Jet, Steel, Pearl, Smoked Pearl, Silver, Shell, Silk, Bombazine, and a great many other styles.

Hamburg and Crochet. Edgings cheaper than ever; good Pocket-books at 25 cents.

Call and examine our stock of New Goods.
ap 5 FERGUSON & BRO.,
96 King street.

LOCKWOOD, HUFTY & TAYLOR

933 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE,
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Manufacturers of the Celebrated

Palmer's Pat. double-yoke Shirts

TO ORDER FOR

\$2.50, \$3, \$3.50 and \$4.

In connection with our Shirt Factory we have established a first class LAUNDRY, where we are prepared to receive Gentlemen's Washing at the following prices:

Dress Shirts 12c; Embroidered Bosom Shirts 15c; Night Shirts 8c; Ruffle Night Shirts 12c; Collars 5c; Cuffs per pair 6c; Undershirts 6c; Drawers 6c; Socks 5c; Handkerchiefs 4c; Linen Coats 25c; Pants 25c; Vests 25c.

Washington, Nov 9—6m

INSTANTANEOUS STAMPING

AT THE

STAMPING DEPARTMENT

GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE,

1 and 1/2 Hair Goods Manufactory.

Material stamped in a few seconds. Retail at wholesale prices. 2c per yard for stamping; 5c per yard for any pattern not exceeding 6 inches. Engraving home enterprise. Over 1500 designs, with daily additions to our stock. Manufacture. Stamped Band and Sleeve given for every 25 cents' worth of stamping done here.

CHAS. W. GREEN,
ap 12 76 King street.

HARDWARE, CUTLERY

GARDEN TOOLS, &c.,

At 88 King, on the corner of Royal st., Alexandria, Virginia.

The subscribers are receiving a full supply of goods in the line for the spring trade, to which they invite the attention of wholesale and retail purchasers. Thankful for past favors, we solicit a continuance of your patronage. Orders will receive prompt attention.

J. T. CREIGHTON & SON,
mh 30 88 King street, corner Royal.

MAIL ARRANGEMENTS FOR SENDING HAIR BY MAIL.

The rates are as follows: One cent per ounce or fraction thereof, and limited to 4 or 5 pounds per package, and must be so wrapped as to allow examination of contents. Any writing other than the address will subject the whole package to letter rates.

Ladies, save your COMBS, and have them made into Braids, Puffs, Curls, &c., at them made into Braids, Puffs, Curls, &c., at FERGUSON & BRO'S Hair Depot,
ap 12 96 King street.

NOTICE!

I am this day in receipt of my third lot of LANDRETT'S GARDEN SEEDS; also a large supply of GARDEN and FLOWER SEEDS from the celebrated firm of Briggs & Bro., of New York. Call and examine seeds; all fresh and genuine.

W. F. CREIGHTON,
mh 4 88 King street.

CARPETS!

FROM COMMON TO HIGHEST GRADES.

Received by day's steamer a very handsome line of the above, which will be sold cheap.
mh 16 D. F. WITMER CO.

DOG KID GAUNTLETS.

CELEBRATED DOG KID GAUNTLETS,

just received at
ap 5 C. C. BERRY'S.

SHOVELS, SPADES, FORKS, & COUPERS, STRAINERS, RAKES, &c., FOR FARMERS' USE—We have on hand a large stock, which were bought at low figures, to which we invite special attention. Come and see at 88 King st., corner of Royal.

J. T. CREIGHTON & SON,
ap 5 88 King street.

J. EANS, DRAWERS AND DRESS SHIRTS,

ready made and made to order, at
mh 20 D. F. WITMER CO.

DRY GOODS.

WHITE GOODS in great variety, Tarletons, Plain Victoria Lawns, Plaid, Striped and everything else to make our stock complete in this and other lines.

D. F. WITMER CO.
ap 6

CORSETS—A full line of Corsets just received.

WM. N. BERKLEY & SON,
ap 6 64 King street.

RECEIVED—64 SERGE, for Gents' Spring Overcoats.

WM. N. BERKLEY & SON,
ap 6 64 King street.

SUN UMBRELLAS, in latest styles; a full assortment; all colors.

D. F. WITMER CO.
ap 6

GENTS' FANCY HALF ROSE, all numbers, at

D. F. WITMER CO'S.

SEAMLESS KID GLOVES, Spring shades, and just received.

D. F. WITMER CO.
ap 6

NEW GOODS JUST OPENED.

A large assortment of Prints, Printed Cambrics, Porcelains, Silk Plaid Mohairs, now very fashionable, Pacific Lawns, some very handsome, Black Grenadines, Black Mohair Alpaca, Victoria Lawns, Plaid Mohairs, English Crapes, Black Tarnish Cloths, Irish Linens, fine stock of Hosiery, Gentlemen's Half Hose in all varieties, Linen Handkerchiefs, Hemstitched also, at all prices and qualities.

Corinthian Scarfs, Kid and Berlin Gloves and Gauntlets, Ladies' Gauze Mittens, Towels, A handsome line of Ladies' Silk Sun Umbrellas, all colors, blue, brown, black and plum, Linen Sheetings, Towels, 10-4 Cotton Sheetings, with a large stock of bleached and brown Goods—all of which are offered at low prices.

J. M. STEWART.
ap 3

SPRING OPENING!

DRESS GOOD—1875 DRESS GOODS!

April 3d, 1875.

The very latest styles in the market. Black Silks very cheap. A full assortment of Domestic. We invite purchasers' attention to our stock.
ap 3 D. F. WITMER CO.

BLACK GOODS DEPARTMENT.

BLACK ALPACAS AND MOHAIRS.
A large invoice of our favorite brand in color and wearing qualities, no goods that we have ever kept having given like satisfaction. Also new styles Black Grenadines, Black 6-4 Mouselines, etc., just opened by

D. F. WITMER CO.
ap 2

IMMENSE BARGAINS IN

DRY GOODS

APRETZFELDER & BENDHEIM'S,

NO. 114 KING STREET.

Black Gro. Grain Silk, at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

Irish Poplins, at 87c, \$1.00, \$1.12 and \$1.25.

Pure Mohair Alpaca, worth 75c, at 50c.

Best Alpaca, worth 50c at 37c.

Best Alpaca, worth 37c, at 25c.

All-wool Cashmeres, worth 75c, at 60c.

Beautiful line of Waterproofs, at 87c, \$1.00, \$1.12 and \$1.25.

Immense stock of Camels, Serges, Diagonals, &c.

Black Cashmeres, Merinos, Bombazine, Tarnish and Drap d'Ete a specialty.

Cassimeres for Men and Boys, from 40c up.

Large assortment of Ladies' and Gents' Underwear.

Ladies' Merino Vests, worth \$1, at 62c.

Gents' Undershirts, worth 75c, at 50c.

All-wool Blankets, worth \$8, at \$5.

Best yard-wide Bleached Cottons at 12c.

Shawls—India, Paisley, Broche, Merino and all-wool fancy.

Ladies' and Misses' Furs at less than actual value.

Great variety of Ladies' Scarfs, big stock of Notions, &c. Our stock is large and complete in all its branches. Call and convince yourselves.
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FOR SPRING AND SUMMER

J. P. CLARKE,

NO. 138 KING STREET.

NEW PAPER HANGINGS AND INTERIOR DECORATIONS.

The largest, best, and most beautiful assortment of New Wall Papers, Window Curtains and Interior Decorations, suitable for Parlors, Halls, Chambers and Dining Rooms, surpassing in quality and price any goods in this line ever offered in this city.
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STATE TAXES.

The final period allowed by law for the payment of STATE TAXES for 1874, having passed, and I being required to make my final settlement with the Treasurer, I hope that all will come forward AT ONCE and settle their bills, and thereby save me the very disagreeable necessity of enforcing the law in regard to delinquent tax bills. Tax payers will be called upon as far as possible by either myself or Deputy. For the convenience of those who wish to call at once, I will be at my office, Room No. 4, Market House, (entrance on Fairfax street), from 9 to 10 a. m. and 4 to 6 p. m. every day.

JOHN W. CAMPBELL,
ap 7-1m1 City Sergeant.

CANNED GOODS!

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8 cases 3 lb cans Tomatoes.

5 " 2 lb cans Tomatoes.

5 " 3 lb cans Peaches.

7 " 2 lb cans Peaches.

2 " 2 lb cans Lobsters.

2 " 2 lb cans Corn.

Also Catsup, English and American Pickles, Chow Chow, Worcestershire Sauce, W. I. Pepper Sauce, Olive Oil, Jelly and Canned and Bottled Goods, of all kinds, in store and for sale at very low prices by

W. A. JOHNSON,
mh 9 44 corner Pitt and Queen streets.

H. H. HEMPLER,

OPTICIAN

No. 453 Pennsylvania avenue, corner 4th street, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Specialty—GOLD SPECTACLES and new style SKELETON EYE-GLASSES.

FOR PRESENTS—The cheapest STEREO-PARLOR STRAM ENGINES, KALEIDOSCOPES, MICROSCOPES, &c., at prices to suit hard times.
Washington, dec 11—eotf

SPRING OPENING OF DRY GOODS.

NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA PURCHASES.

LARGE AND ATTRACTIVE STOCK.

April 10th, 1875—We call special attention to a large and attractive stock of new goods now opening, and suited to spring and summer.

These goods have been purchased with great care in New York and Philadelphia, and will be sold cheap.
D. F. WITMER CO.,
ap 19 109 King street, Alexandria.

BASE BALLS

AGREEN'S

NOTION HO USE.

Just received a full line of Base Balls, Bats, Rubber Balls, Rattles, Mallets, Jumping Balls, Rolling Hoops, &c. For sale wholesale and retail at

GREEN'S NOTION HOUSE.
ap 5

BEST REFINED LEAF LARD for sale by
mh 26 J. C. MILBURN.

ROOTS AND SHOES.

SPRING TRADE, 1875.

W. B. WADDEY,

74 King street,

ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

BOOTS AND SHOES

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL.

Large and superior stock of

LADIES' GENTS' BOYS' and CHILDREN'S

BOOTS AND SHOES.

which have been selected with great care and especially for my trade, and which can therefore be offered with a certainty of satisfying all who may purchase as to quality of material, style of finish and price.

On hand a large stock of

BOOTS, SHOES AND BROGANS

SUITABLE FOR THE

COUNTRY TRADE.

which will be sold at prices that will compare with Northern houses and superior in quality.

Great care has been bestowed upon the selection of my stock, and purchasers may rely upon getting